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ALL AT SEA.

Nobody Knows Who Will Be Sen-
ator Caucus To-
Night.

CLAIMS OF RIVAL CANDIDATES.

Mr. Hopkins and Lorimer in the
lead W. J. Calkoun May
Loom Up—Democrats
Cause a Scare.

Decatur, Ill. Jan. 18.—The political
trials are still in a badly tangled con-
dition. Many candidates and their lieuten-
ants are all night endeavoring with-
out success to straighten out the muddle.
The senatorial question is as far from set-
tling as before. Madden withdrew.
The caucus is packed with outside poli-
ticians. Nearly all of the members of the
caucus have arrived and the interest
is growing steadily. Congressman Hop-
kins has arrived and the opening of his
campaign leaves the chances of any
candidate for nomination on the first
night. It is not yet determined whether
W. J. Calkoun of Danville, will be a can-
didate, though he is watching the situa-
tion and may enter the field at any time.
It is known only Senator Monroe and
Representative Mills will be absent from
the caucus tonight. In that case it will
require sixty-two votes to nominate
any candidate. The caucus will be held
at the Danville hotel. The candidates
maintain that no one has enough to
nominate. It is the belief that the matter
will not be settled until the caucus.
If this sentiment continues to grow
and should the matter be
brought into the point assembly, some
of the members say that after com-
ing to the caucus they will
try to help out some one of the
Republican candidates. This proposi-
tion caused consternation among some of
the Republicans. They fear it might re-
sult in the election of a man not wanted
by a majority of the Republicans. On
this point there will be a serious effort
to keep the fight in the joint caucus, but
it is a fight tomorrow, the two
sides are going separately. The following
will be in the joint assembly.
The Republicans are strong enough
to carry the caucus each day after a
careful ballot unless the Democrats
can get a hand in voting to force
the caucus on the first or any other day.

Decatur, Ill. Jan. 18.—Congressman
Hopkins of Aurora, last night de-
clared himself a candidate for the sen-
atorship. He arrived from Washington Sun-
day morning. His mind was yet un-
settled. He explained that he did not yet
know whether he would be a candidate. He
said he did not believe that the situation
was so settled as to justify him in entering
the race, but he had come out from Wash-
ington with a view to the ground and ascer-
tain the actual state of affairs.
He was in consultation with friends
and about 7 o'clock announced
that he would be a candidate before to-
night's caucus. Accordingly he has
been in headquarters. Mr. Hopkins gave
the following statement to the press last
evening:

I came here from Washington at the
request of personal and political friends,
who from a careful survey of the senatori-
al situation, believe that my chances for
winning the nomination are excellent.
After consultation with representatives
from my district and other friends, I have
decided to permit my name to go before
the caucus.

I am shut out on all sides that Mr.
Hopkins' candidacy will reduce the Macon
caucus materially. His support, in-
stead of being largely from the members
who have heretofore been counted to the
Republican party. It is probable, too, that
his name will attract many of the Lorimer
votes outside of Cook county. The effect
upon the chances of Carr, Allerton and Hitt
is hard to see. Mr. Hopkins has
been in Congress a dozen years. His wide
experience and ability and personal
popularity make him a most formidable
candidate.

W. J. Calkoun of Danville, who arrived
last Saturday night, is still in a state of
uncertainty. He has been in his room at
the hotel most of the time, in consulta-
tion with friends, but at a late hour last
evening he had not yet decided to become
a candidate. It is probable that he will
bring out the fight unless developments in
the caucus should justify him in doing so.
He is in a position to spring an opportune
shot at any time, or he may become an
accepted candidate should the caucus ad-
journ without making a nomination.

General John McNulta of Chicago, has
been here two days. As he occupies a
room on the first floor of the Leland, in

the senatorial row, with a canvas stretch-
ed over the carpet, and as he fails to give
satisfactory explanation of his presence
here, he is being listed with the candi-
dates for senator. General McNulta, how-
ever, repudiates all such suggestions, "I
am here," he said, "merely to witness
the contest. This being a free country,
people have a right to call me a candidate
for the senate if they choose, but I wish
frankly to say that I am in no sense a
candidate."

Rumors that Governor Tanner will
eventually become a candidate have con-
tinued in circulation. It may be stated
authoritatively, however, that under no
circumstances will the governor accept
the nomination. He has no wish to be
senator at the present time. It is well
understood now that he occupies neutral
ground in the senatorial contest. Stories
that he will use the patronage of his office
in behalf of any particular candidate have
about ceased to be heard.

Mr. Mason is still confident, notwith-
standing the announcement of Mr. Hop-
kins' candidacy. He said that the en-
trance of additional candidates would
only have the effect of prolonging the
fight. He felt certain that in the end he
would be nominated.

Col. Carr was as cheerful as ever. His
friends continue to hope that he will be-
come the accepted compromise candidate.
Congressman Hitt's friends view the situa-
tion with great complacency and say
that nothing is yet settled and that it is
anybody's fight. Allerton's supporters
are likewise confident.

At Congressman Lorimer's headquar-
ters, Dr. T. N. Jamieson said that Mr.
Lorimer would be nominated on the sec-
ond ballot. He felt certain of this from
assurances of support received during the
day. The Cook county members have
nearly all been gotten into line for Lor-
imer. It is claimed by his managers that
only five of the thirty-eight Cook county
members still decline to support him.
This is better than Madden was able to
do.

The joint Republican caucus for the
nomination of the senatorial candidate
will be held in the supreme court room
tonight. Notwithstanding the confidence
expressed by the candidates that the con-
test will be quickly disposed of, members
are preparing for an all-night session, and
many predict that the caucus will ad-
journ without making a nomination at
all. The balloting must begin Tuesday.
In any event, and if no nominee is chosen
by that time the Republicans will prob-
ably refrain from voting and hold another
caucus during the afternoon or evening.
The balloting will go on in this fashion
until the caucus shall have made a nomi-
nation.

The Democrats will hold their sena-
torial caucus tonight. It looks now as if
Governor Altgeld will be nominated by
acclamation. It was reported that ex-
Speaker Clayton E. Crafts would be here
to make a contest against Altgeld, but
the story remains unconfirmed by authori-
tary information. Crafts is too shrewd to
make a hopeless fight for an empty honor.

The Situation.
Springfield, Jan. 18.—Here are the
claims made by the managers of the dif-
ferent candidates of the strength they
will show on the first ballot tonight and
the number of votes which their oppo-
nents say they will get:

	Claimed.	Allowed.
Mason.	60	45
Lorimer.	54	37
Hopkins.	20	12
Hitt.	15	10
Carr.	10	5
Allerton.	5	3
Calkoun.	10	10

The Mason people claimed sixty-seven
last night; now they admit the actual loss
of five and four the departure of many
more. They claim to have gathered in
two from Cook county. Not even the
most sanguine talks of a majority on the
first ballot.

Thirty of the votes claimed for Lorimer
are from Cook county. In the allowance
the useless effect of state and federal
assistance is taken into consideration.
There is one contingency in the caucus
which may or may not materialize. When
the nomination speeches are made plying
before the caucus the various candidates,
the names of Messrs. Mason, Hopkins,
Lorimer, Hitt, Allerton, Carr will be
those of the men whom the speakers will
outline. Then a ballot will be ordered,
and these will be the candidates voted
for. It is among the possibilities, how-
ever, a deadlock will result, and there is
nothing in the law or constitution forbid-
ding the injection of one or more new candi-
dates into the caucus. Consequently
should it at any time become apparent
that Messrs. Mason and Lorimer were
hopelessly beaten or that none of the then
candidates can win out, it is probable the
name of either William J. Calkoun of
Danville, or Governor John R. Tanner
will be sprung upon the caucus. It is not
likely, however, that their names will be
presented in any other way.

On His Way West.
Washington, Jan. 18.—Congressman
Cannon of Illinois, one of the aspirants
for the United States senatorship, left
here today presumably for Springfield to
take part in the canvass personally, fol-
lowing the example of Congressman Hitt
Hopkins and Lorimer. Cannon expressed
the belief that he might be selected as a
compromise candidate should W. E. Ma-
son fail.

WOODMEN OFFICIALS IN TROUBLE.
Illinois Members of an Omaha Camp Defy
Sovereign Commander Root.

Omaha, Jan. 18.—Friday the Woodmen
of the World in the western states made
the preliminary arrangements to secede
from the organization, which includes
some 200,000 members in the remaining
states. Now more differences have arisen
between Sovereign Commander Root and
the officers and some of the members of
Alpha Camp of Omaha. These additional
troubles, however, seem to have grown
out of the ill feeling aroused by the dis-
agreement that developed Friday. They
are so serious that the assistance of the
local courts will be called in to adjust
them Monday.

On account of certain provisions in the
constitution of the order it cannot do
business in Illinois. Therefore, when
members have been secured from that
state they have been turned over to Alpha
Camp. These Illinois members consist
chiefly of traveling men.

After the sovereign commander and the
camp got into dispute over the question
of a separate jurisdiction the former took
steps to take away these non-resident
members. All Illinois members were no-
tified not to pay dues to the Omaha camp,
but they refused to listen to Mr. Root,
and now mandamus or impeachment
proceedings are threatened against Root.
Mr. Root is the same man involved in the
famous Modern Woodmen litigation in
Illinois in 1890.

FAMILY'S WEARY JOURNEY.

Father, Mother and Five Children "Tramp"
from Pittsburgh to Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, Jan. 18.—A group of
weary, hungry wanderers, applied at the
city hall at 11 o'clock Saturday night,
after a tiresome journey from Kansas
City, Mo., which point they left about
four months ago. The group consisted of
John Noble, 58 years, his wife, Mary, the
daughter, a rather good looking maiden
of 17 years, and four boys, ranging in age
from 7 to 10 years, the two youngest be-
ing twins.

Noble is a native of Philadelphia, and
left here in 1873, at the age of 33, to seek
his fortune in the west. Fickle fortune
played fast and loose with him, and his
monetary resources were of a very vari-
able character until the financial depres-
sion came over the country, four years
ago. Since then Noble has found it diffi-
cult to make both ends meet, and, with
poverty staring him in the face, his mind
reverted to the good old times of prosperity
in his native city.

When his resources were nearly exhaust-
ed he sold his remaining furniture, and
with the money thus secured started on
the long and tiresome journey to Phila-
delphia. Through kind assistance along
the way, together with their money care-
fully expended, they managed to reach
Pittsburgh. There, however, the last cent
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Charges During Inaugural Week.
Washington, Jan. 18.—Washingtonians,
who are making efforts to so arrange the
inaugural ceremonies of Mr. McKinley
that none can complain, are disturbed by
statements circulated in certain parts of
the country to the effect that extortionate
rates are to be exacted of those who come
here.

Chairman Dail said:
"If people insist on making their own
arrangements the inaugural committee
can not be held responsible, but I can as-
sure any one who will address Col. L. P.
Wright, chairman of the committee on
public comfort, that he will secure for
them the best of accommodations at rea-
sonable rates. He has listed already ac-
commodations for from 20,000 to 30,000
persons, mostly in private houses, which
are well located, and which are supplied
with all modern conveniences. The list
is increasing. The rates will average
about as follows: For lodging only, \$1
per day for beds and for the cot; \$1.25 to
\$1.50 for lodging and breakfast, and \$2
to \$3.50 for lodging and meals.
"Good horses for the parade may be
hired for from \$5 to \$10. If persons have
equipments it would be well to bring
them, although such as may not possess
them will be supplied by the committee at
moderate cost."

Steamer Ashore.
Donoh Haven, N. J., Jan. 18.—The
steamer Badsworth from Liverpool with
a cargo of sugar is ashore near here. The
wrecking steamer has gone to her assist-
ance. The steamer is lying easy and will
probably be floated by the next high tide.

Unconstitutional.
Washington, Jan. 18.—The United
States supreme court has decided that the
Horton, S. C., dispensary law for the in-
spection of liquors imported into the
state, is unconstitutional.

MACEO'S DEATH.

The Truth is Told at Last—The
Dons' Cruel Am-
bush.

INDIGNITIES TO THE CUBAN HERO.

The Betrayal and Burial of the Insur-
gent Commander—Letter from
Col. Andre Hernandez
from Near Havana.

Jacksonville, Fla., Jan. 18.—A letter
was received here Friday from Col. Andre
Hernandez, now in command of the de-
tachment of the Cuban army encamped
near Havana, giving the truth about
Maceo's death and his subsequent burial.
As he states that he was in command of
the Cuban detachment, that recovered the
body from Major Cienfuegos' command
and afterward buried it, his statement
should settle the matter. The letter was
sent to J. A. Huan, the Florida repre-
sentative of the New York Cuban junta,
came through the "underground channel"
and escaped Spanish censorship. It is
dated Jan. 9, from the "encampment
near Havana." After extending to Mr.
Huan thanks for past favors the letter
goes on:

"Many things have happened, my true
friend, since the last time I saw you. I
have heard the hum of the bullet and the
whirr of the cannon ball pass by me, but
the good God has further use for me, and
they have passed me unscathed. I can-
not tell if the same good fortune will fol-
low me later, as now work is in store for
us, if signs fail not. I am now lieuten-
ant colonel in the regiment Guacaria
(cavalry.) I have been here over since I
saw you, except the two months I was in
the provinces of Matanzas and East Ha-
vana. We are doing very well, and fare
tolerably well, also, provisions being
abundant and easy for us to secure. The
greatest desire of our enemies here is to
appear and make you follows in the Unit-
ed States believe that the provinces of
Pinar del Rio and Havana are without
insurgents, and in a fair way to be pac-
ified, but this is wrong. Aye, the only
pacification we offer is liberty gained by
our trusty machetes. The revolution in
this department is gaining more and
more each day, and our friends increase.
Our enemies well know, and to their sor-
row, that we are here. I take particular
pleasure every night to burn everything in
sight that I come across, so as to give our
enemies in Havana a brilliant illumina-
tion, and I don't suppose they will much
longer doubt our being here.

It was on Dec. 7 that we suffered a
great misfortune in the tragic death (by
ambush) of our leader, Maceo. This is
the greatest misfortune we have suffered
since the beginning of the war, but it
only encourages us to fight the harder
and avenge his death. Cuba Libre is the
only shout we have now. We were en-
camped near the fight that day and heard
the firing. Maceo came across the trenches
unknown to us, with but forty men.
More than 1500 Spaniards, who had been
informed of his trip, ambushed him. He
rode into it and was shot at the first fire.
We heard the firing, and, thinking that
some of our friends were attacked by the
Spanish guerrillas, we started off at once
to their aid, though we had but 400 men.
When we reached the scene of the slaughter
it was mostly over, and then we were
told that Maceo was dead and that his
body had been tied to a horse's tail
and was being taken off. Our men were
frantic over the report, and begged to be
led against the Spaniards. We dashed
forward with drawn machetes, and what
a fight that was! The Spaniards met us,
and the encounter was terrible. Our
men fought to kill, only bent on avenging
Maceo. Our sharp machetes fell with
regularity and I think we killed more
than 200 of the enemy and, what is more,
we had the consolation of recovering the
body of our beloved leader, Maceo. The
Spaniards fought hard again to regain it,
charging upon us repeatedly, but our
sharp machetes were too much for them
and they sullenly retreated.

"Our little force suffered terribly. Our
cavalry, which went in eighty strong,
came out with only twenty-two men, and
the infantry suffered almost in the same
proportion. But for all that we were
consoled by the fact that our brave broth-
ers gave up their lives in a good cause,
and to save the body of our lamented
Maceo from the desecration that the
Spaniards would have inflicted. We
buried the body in a secret and secure
place. Only myself and a few selected
men and officers know the location. In
due time it will be marked. If known
the murderous Spaniards would try
to get it and parade it as showing their
great triumph. Poor Maceo sleeps in

peace, but his brothers remain to avenge
him, and that they are doing daily. I
love a good many important things to
tell you in connection with this, but I
don't dare to put them in this as I am
not positive that the letter will get
through safely. With best wishes and
regards to yourself and your family, and
my many friends in Jacksonville, from
your true friend, who sends you a good
hugging from Cuba Libre.
"Andre Hernandez,
"Lieutenant Colonel, Regiment One-
corta, commanding Department of Ha-
vana, near Havana."

ILLINOIS PHARMACY LAW.
Held to be Constitutional by the Circuit
Court of Springfield.
Springfield, Ill., Jan. 18.—The phar-
macy law passed by the last general as-
sembly has been tested in the circuit
court here and declared constitutional.
It provides that all owners operating drug
stores shall at all hours, when open for
business, keep employed a registered
pharmacist. It is made unlawful for any
person, not a registered pharmacist, to
open, conduct or operate any drug store,
dispensary, apothecary shop or store, for
the purpose of compounding drugs or dis-
pensing the same; and that it shall be un-
lawful for the proprietor of any such store
to allow any person in his employ or
otherwise, excepting a registered phar-
macist or assistant registered pharmacist
to compound, recommend, dispense or sell
drugs, medicines, etc. Heavy penalties
are imposed for all violations of the law.

The board of pharmacy has had trouble
in enforcing the new law. Many stores
sell drugs and medicines without sanction
of law and in many cases great harm re-
sults. Over a year ago the board brought
suit against John S. Fisher, a local drug-
gist, for violation of the law. The case
was taken to the circuit court of this
county. Judge Creighton Saturday
night held the law to be constitutional
and charged the jury to bring in a ver-
dict of guilty. The board of pharmacy
will now prosecute all violators of the
law, in every part of the state, where evi-
dence of violation can be secured.

NEWS IN GENERAL.

Earl Kimberly is Chosen to Suc-
ceed Lord Rose-
berry.

ENGLISH PEERS HOLD A CAUCUS.

Points on the Queen's Speech—The
Awful Scourge in India—Bank
Failures in East
and South.

London, Jan. 18.—The liberal peers at
a meeting today unanimously elected Earl
Kimberly, late minister of foreign affairs,
leader of the party in the House of Lords.
In place of Lord Roseberry, resigned. It
is understood that the queen's speech at
the opening of parliament will be unpre-
cedentedly brief. The legislative proposals
it is believed will be few. It is expected
it will congratulate parliament on sign-
ing the arbitration treaty with the Unit-
ed States.

BOMBAY'S SCOURGE.

The Situation Rapidly Growing Worse—
Over 2500 Deaths.

Bombay, Jan. 18.—The situation is
growing rapidly worse. The exodus from
the city on account of the plague contin-
ues. Official returns show that there
have been 3633 cases, and 2699 deaths.
The Times says the sanitary condition of
the city has been allowed to deteriorate
for ten years past.

Bank Failures.

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 18.—The national
bank examiner this morning took posses-
sion of the German National bank. Cap-
ital \$250,000; surplus, \$31,000. It is an
old institution, but has been considered
weak for some time.

The National Congress.

Washington, Jan. 18.—The senate passed
the army appropriation bill. Sherman
was on the floor for the first time since it
was announced he would enter McKin-
ley's cabinet as secretary of state. He re-
ceived many congratulations. Cullom
read a telegram from the Bankers' club,
Chicago, urging the ratification of the
Anglo-American peace treaty.
In the house the attendance was light
as everything promised a dull session.
Under call of the committee the bill to
prohibit the sale of liquors to Indians
came up after debate was passed. It im-
posed a fine of \$100 and sixty days im-
prisonment for selling any intoxicant to
an Indian to whom allotment of land has
been made.

The senate committee on judiciary re-
ported favorably the bill by Senator Hitt,
fixing the term of postmasters at four
years.

The report of the deep water way com-
mittee was laid before congress with a
letter from the president. He says the
commission was appointed under the act
of March 2, 1895, to consider with a simi-
lar commission from Canada, the feasi-
bility of constructing canals to enable
vessels engaged in ocean commerce to
pass between the great lakes and the At-
lantic ocean. He commends the zeal and
intelligence shown by the commission
and points out advantages of unbroken
water transportation for the products of
the west. He says the commissioner's re-
port demonstrates the feasibility of secur-
ing such transportation and gives ground
for the anticipation of a better and more
uninterrupted commerce through the
plan suggested between the great west
and foreign ports with increase of na-
tional prosperity which must follow.

Singers Will Protest.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 18.—The will
of Horace M. Singer, the sewing machine
man of Chicago, has been filed for prob-
ate here. The estate is valued at \$375-
600. His widow, Mrs. Emma R. Singer,
resides the Chicago home and \$160,000
in lieu of dower. He bequeaths certain
real estate to Ellen Case of Latham, Ill.
All of the balance is bequeathed in trust
to his son, Charles G. Singer, and Charles
B. Kimball. Annuities of \$800 each are
given his mother and two sisters.

Pleaded Not Guilty.

London, Jan. 18.—The trial of Edward
J. Ivory, alias Hall of New York, charged
with conspiring cause dynamite explo-
sion, began this morning. Ivory pleaded
not guilty.

Must Not Land for 20 Days.

Valletta, Island of Malta, Jan. 18.—
Twenty days' quarantine has been de-
clared against vessels arriving from Bom-

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old institution, but has been considered
weak for some time.

The National Congress.

Washington, Jan. 18.—The senate passed
the army appropriation bill. Sherman
was on the floor for the first time since it
was announced he would enter McKin-
ley's cabinet as secretary of state. He re-
ceived many congratulations. Cullom
read a telegram from the Bankers' club,
Chicago, urging the ratification of the
Anglo-American peace treaty.
In the house the attendance was light
as everything promised a dull session.
Under call of the committee the bill to
prohibit the sale of liquors to Indians
came up after debate was passed. It im-
posed a fine of \$100 and sixty days im-
prisonment for selling any intoxicant to
an Indian to whom allotment of land has
been made.

The senate committee on judiciary re-
ported favorably the bill by Senator Hitt,
fixing the term of postmasters at four
years.

The report of the deep water way com-
mittee was laid before congress with a
letter from the president. He says the
commission was appointed under the act
of March 2, 1895, to consider with a simi-
lar commission from Canada, the feasi-
bility of constructing canals to enable
vessels engaged in ocean commerce to
pass between the great lakes and the At-
lantic ocean. He commends the zeal and
intelligence shown by the commission
and points out advantages of unbroken
water transportation for the products of
the west. He says the commissioner's re-
port demonstrates the feasibility of

Semi-Annual Pre-Inventory Cut Price Sale Of HIGHEST CLASS MERCHANDISE.

A trade event without a peer or parallel. \$150,000 of New and Desirable Goods Sacrificed. No attention will be paid to original values; our only object is to materially reduce the stock before February 1, 1897. EACH DEPARTMENT MUST CONTRIBUTE ITS SHARE OF BARGAIN-GIVING. Commencing MONDAY MORNING, JAN. 18, with all the elements that make a sale of this character worthy the approbation and support of the buying public. Follow the crowds to "THE BIG STORE."

TOWELS.

Towels will be a special feature in this week's sale. We have 500 dozen fine towels which we divide into three lots.



Lot 1. Hemmed and fringed, some 15x28 inch and worth 18 cents, towel sale price, 9 cents each.

Special Offerings in TABLE DAMASK.

80 inch loom damask, warranted for wear, sold for 15 cents, January sale price 49 cents each.



80 and 72 inch fine satin damask in beautiful patterns, would sell quickly at 90 cents, but we will give you choice during this sale at 60 cents each.

72 inch Scotch and Irish damask, some rare and exclusive patterns, sold at \$1.50 yard, for this sale 88 cents a yard.

We invite your inspection of our elegant line of fine damask cloths with borders all round, some of our best importations; these cloths will be sold at real bargain prices, up to 50% off.

200 dozen fine white damask napkins several lines worth \$2.00, this week for \$1.49 per dozen.

Five sheet crash with large bars in yellow, red and blue, the new linen for its pillows etc., for this sale 9% cents a yard.

Best bleached sheeting, full two and a quarter yards wide, our regular 20 cent grade, January sale price 15% cents a yard.

Best unbleached sheeting, same quality as above, 15% cents a yard.

38 inch fine blue and white, soft finish, no dressing, at 8% cents a yard.

36 inch fine unbleached muslin, worth 6 cents a yard, January price 3 cents a yard.

Many Attractions in Our Large Lace Dept.

Spangled of lichen all over, 45 inches wide, sold at \$1.50 a yard, clearance price 75 cents a yard.

Embroidered Chiffon, edge to match, 39 cents to 65 cents a yard.

Bismarck net for fancy fronts at 30 cents a yard.

Black silk crochet lace, sold at \$1.25 per yard, clearance price 49 cents a yard.

Cloaks--Cloaks--Cloaks.

Still Greater Reductions in Prices for This Week.

Undoubtedly the lowest prices ever named in Decatur for goods of such a reliable character. All the very best and newest of this season's styles.



LOT 1-275 Ladies Boule and Beaver Jackets in black and navy, new sleeve and cuffs, plaited back and high collar, sold all season at \$7.99 clearance price, \$3.98 each.

LOT 2-300 ladies cloth jacket is made up in all of the latest styles in newest material and best workmanship, equal to any \$12 coat, clearance price \$9.98 each.

LOT 3-245 ladies jackets in all wool materials, made up in very nobby effects, would be a world beater at \$15, clearance price \$7.50 each.

LOT 4-Our entire stock of high grade domestic and imported coats are placed in a special lot to close. These goods are of the finest finish and men tailored goods. Sold from \$18 to \$25 each; our special clearance price \$10.00 each.

LOT 5-175 Ladies cloth capes to plan and rough materials, single and double effects, braid and fur trimmed, full sweep, the very 1 best styles, former price \$5.98 and \$7.98 each, to close reduced to \$2.98 each.

LOT 6-180 misses and children's reefer jackets in single and fancy all wool mixture, made up and trimmed in latest styles, sold all season at \$8.98 to \$12 each, your choice at \$4.90 each.

LOT 7-100 children's reefer jackets fancy mixtures, new all over and high back high collar and box front, a very durable garment, former price \$4.98, now reduced to \$1.75 each.

LOT 8-175 ladies two-piece cloth suits, in English, French, and fancy mixtures, a reefer and blazer effect, best fit and finish, usual price \$15.00 to \$20.00 each, clearance price \$4.98 each.

LOT 9-Ladies fancy akits in Mohair and Satin and French Scotch mixtures, out full sweep and price fitting sold all season at \$10 and \$12 each, to close them out we will give you your choice for \$4.49 each.

Our entire stock of FUR will be closed out at a bona fide reduction of just 50c on the dollar.

Handkerchiefs and Mufflers.

About 300 more ladies scalloped embroidered handkerchiefs, slightly soiled from holiday display, while they last, just one-half price.

Men's silk mufflers, Persian effect. Regular price \$1.50 Clearance price 90c each.

Clearance Cut on Carpets.

If you need a new carpet we will provide the ways and means of obtaining it, at prices much lower than you usually pay.

Broken lots in holy velvet and moquette Brussels to close before taking stock February 1st, 1897.

Our regular price \$1.25 you can take your choice at 77%.

We will give you a chance to buy a tapestry Brussels at a low price. We have a number of dropped patterns that we formerly sold at 75c and 85c. You can take your choice of any of them for 67%.

You can all use an Ingrain carpet at these prices. A good cottage carpet for 18c yd which sold at 25c yd.

A good union carpet for 29c yd which sold at 40c yd.

A good all wool carpet for 37% which sold at 50c yd.

LADIES' FURNISHINGS.

These goods represent all the latest and best styles in ladies' wear. Although they are always steady sellers, we want them to move faster and the prices quoted below will give you an idea of the price cutting that is taking place in this department.



Three dozen ladies corduroy waist, navy, green, brown, black, gray and black, all stylish and well made, some poke back and front, some Norfolk style, all well fitted, worth \$5, \$6, and \$7, all to be closed out at one price, \$3.98 each.

Ladies' flannel and serge waists in navy, cardinal and black, sold for \$3.50 and \$2.98; to clear them out, your choice for \$1.98 each.

Ladies' fancy wool jerseys, assorted colors, sold for \$3.50; your choice at \$2.49 each at \$4.50 and \$5.75 pair.

The Rest of Our Comforters Will Be Sold at Cost.

Horse Blankets.

Large size stable blanket Sarolange attached. Worth \$1.25 Inventory sale price 60c each.

Large sized and extra heavy stable blankets Double strapped and no shap-d as to insure perfect fit. Worth \$3.00 Inventory sale price, \$1.99 each.

Square horse blankets 81x96 inches Weight 7 1/2 lbs. Worth \$2.50 Inventory sale price, \$1.49 each.

WASH GOODS.

Our standard low prices almost out in halves.

Five cases best calicoes in black, white, indigo blue, tawny red, etc.

All the new prints at 8 7/8c yd.

Three cases linen gingham, apron checks or dress styles. Sold for 10c yd. Clearance price, 5 1/2c yd.

Two cases best qualities outing flannel, dainty stripes and checks. It is the 10c tissue down. Clearance price, 5 1/2c yd.

40 pieces elderdown in all the new fancies, worth up to 60c yd.

We do not want to involve them, hence your choice for 10c yd.

Clearance Sale of Notions.

A large stock of fine goods which we do not want to involve compels us to make these prices. Any article of jewelry in the house for just half the market price.

Two dozen patent hooks and eyes, 1 cent each.

Silk worsted plaid belts, sold for 25 cents, to clear them out, 6 cents.

Corsetry belts which sold for 49 cents each, to close them out 13 cents.

Another Great Week of BLANKET SELLING.

Clearing sale reductions of such magnitude that any one wanting blankets can not afford to hesitate. The earlier you come the greater the satisfaction. We have had immense sales in this department during the last week and our originally large stock can not withstand these bargain rushes much longer. Better come early.

10 1/2 Fine second blankets, mottled effects. Sold all season for \$1.00. We almost give them away when we ask you only 40c pair.

11 1/2 Extra heavy blankets, six different lines represented in this lot. Worth up to \$3.00 a pair. They have got to go, so we make this astounding price, 89c pair.

10 1/2 and 11 1/2 California wool blankets. An immense bargain earlier in the season at \$4.50. We will close them out at \$2.25 pair.

11 1/2, 12 1/2, 13 1/2 Fine Australian Wool sanitary blankets. Two colors, white and tan. The very finest goods ever shown in this city. Worth up to \$12.00 pair. We will put them in two lots and sell them at \$4.50 and \$5.75 pair.

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Sale items which sold for 39 cents, to clear them out, 25 cents.

Side combs which sold for 15 cents pair, to clear them out 7 cents.

Phenomenal Mitten Bargains.

Ladies' crocheted mittens, regular price 15c pair. Clearance price 10c pair.

Ladies' double mittens, fancy back, regular price 25c, clearance price 15c pair.

Ladies' kid lined mittens, fur top, regular price 65c. Clearance price 35c pair.

Ladies' kid lined mittens, spring clasp, fur top, regular price \$1.00. Clearance price 50c pair.

50c for \$1.00 Kid Gloves.

An odd lot of ladies' kid gloves in black and brown. We sold them at \$1.00. While they last you can have your choice for 50 cents.

LADIES' and CHILDREN'S UNDERWEAR.

Ladies' extra heavy ribbed vests. Regular price 25c, Clearance price 14c each.

Ladies' wool flannel vests and pants. Regular price 65 cents. Clearance price 35 cents each.

Ladies' all wool vests and pants. Regular price \$1 and \$1.25. Clearance price 60c each.

Ladies' Egyptian suits. Regular price \$1. Clearance price 55c suit.

Ladies' half wool union suits. Regular price \$1.75. Clearance price 95c suit.

Ladies' wool tights. Regular price \$1.50. Clearance price 90c.

Ladies' extra heavy wool tights. Regular price \$3.50. Clearance price \$1.50.

Art Goods.

Commencing Monday, Jan. 18, 1897, we will give lessons in art needle work absolutely free of charge every morning from 9 to 11 o'clock. No afternoon lessons will be given. This department gives the full share of clearance bargains.

BELTING BROTHERS Wash Embroidery silks 2 skirts, 6c.

Madonna crocheted cotton, 5c ball.

20 and 22 inch doilies, worth 10c, reduced to 39c.

10, 14 and 18 inch handsomely stamped doilies, the 12 inch embroidered pillow shams were \$2.75 pair. To clear them out \$1.98 pair.

Decorative scarfs in Spatchel work were \$1.00 now 79c.

24 inch square square in Spatchel work, were \$1.00 now 79c.

20 inch square square in Spatchel work, stamped in 12 designs, 10c.

21 inch squares (same as above) 10c.

195 Fancy feathered pillows, 19c.

50c for 90c Night Robes.

80 dozen Men's outing flannel night robes in fancy weaves. Well worth their original price, 90c. Our special price while they last, 50c.

7c FOR 25c SUSPENDERS.

35 dozen pairs suspenders, good quality extra long, wire buckle and drawer suspenders. Worth 25c. We make a special price 7c.

\$1 FOR \$1.75 SWEATERS.

30 dozen Men's and youth's lamb wool "Athletic" sweaters, extra heavy in black, white, garnet and blue. Our regular \$1.75 grade. Special sale at \$1.00.

33c FOR 75c GLOVES.

Men's heavy work gloves and mitts. Always sell for 75c. To close them out 33c pair.

Men's heavy furred yarn mitts, a splen did mitt for driving, and well worth 40c. Our price 19c pair.

Men's heavy sheep skin mittens with calf palm and worth 75c pair. To close them out 35c pair.

39c FOR \$1.00 SHIRTS.

About 30 dozen more of these fine laundered "American quality" 48c extra long sleeve shirts in Persian and floral stripe effects, a dressy up to date shirt worth \$1. Our special price 39c each.

Curtains & Curtain Goods.

Prices and values widely separated in this department. Not a piece of goods left untouched in this cutting of prices. These goods must be seen to be appreciated.

Fancy lace curtains which sold for \$4.75 now \$3.19 a pair.

Fancy lace curtains which sold for \$9.35 now \$6.48 a pair.

Krish point lace curtains which sold for \$4.98 now \$2.48 a pair.

25 pairs Chenille portiere curtains in assorted colors, sold for \$3.50, now \$2.25 per pair.

All of our fine figured Swiss curtains goods which sold for 18c and 25c yd now 12 1/2c per yd.

LININGS.

Cheapest sale of dress goods linings ever attempted in Decatur.

What you want and what your dress maker wants at about one-half regular prices.

Occidental fibre, 5c yd.

27 pieces Union linen canvas, 30 yd.

25 pieces alinea, worth 80c yd for 20c yd.

25 pieces alinea, worth 25c yd for 10c yd.

NEW STYLES

Latest Fad Coats

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NEW SHIRTS FOR 1897.....

latest Fad Coat Shirt, made with plain pleat to match, in checks and stripes, fast colors, fine fitting,\$1.50
New Styles of Fancy Front Shirts at \$1.00
New Styles of Colored Shirts with 2 high collars, colored bosoms, collars and cuffs, fast colors, at \$1.50
One case of Tan Fleece Underwear at 33c Regular 50c quality.
One lot of Linen Collars at 5c
One lot of Linen Cuffs at 12c

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For January.



We realize that at this season of the year only such furniture as is actually needed will be sold. We have a complete line of low and medium priced staples on our floor and are in position to sell you anything you need from a chair to a cook stove at prices that will interest you. Special attention given to complete outfits. All goods sold to parties outside of the city carefully packed and delivered.

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SUITS, OVERCOATS, PANTS
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We're overloaded—fairly smothered—with clothing, because the weather has not kept its dates. We've too much—too much—too much. If a farmer keeps his hens till they're old he can't sell them. If a fruit dealer keeps his bananas till they're rotten he can't sell them. If we keep our stock till it's out of style we'll lose our trade. Right now the fun begins, and lasts until February 1st. A regular circus for close buyers; a picnic for those who have waited for the "mark down" time. A good time for those to buy whose means are limited. We take no heed or thought of profit, real worth or anything else except our firm resolve to reduce our stock to proper limits.

You know no house has ever undersold us!
Our word for it, no house ever will!

SALE CONTINUES TILL FEB. 1ST.

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LOCAL NEWS.

City council meeting tonight.
Burke's White Pine Balsam cures coughs.
Did you see the crowds at Cheap Charley's?

Little Diana cigar; business men's ideal smoke; 5 for 10 cents; 100 for \$1.50.
L. Chodak's News House.—14-dtf

The Grand Opera House cigars made by Johnny Wolfgang are the best in town.
Moh 26-dtf

The old reliable K & W cigars are made by John Wolfgang. Moh 25-dtf.

Tender roast beef with brown gravy served at noon daily at Singleton's restaurant.—Oct 31dtf

Dr. C. U. Smith, dentist, has removed from the Arcade to the Pasfield building, 324 North Main street.—4-dtf

Gentlemen's soiled and faded overcoats or suit of clothes dyed, cleaned, pressed and repaired. Take your clothes to first-class dyers and cleaners—to Miller's Steam Dye House, 145 North Main street.

The funeral services of the late Josiah Epp were concluded in the M. E. church at Groveland, Tazewell county, on Friday, Jan. 15. A large number of his old friends and neighbors were present. Six of his old friends acted as bearers. The interment was at Groveland burying ground. Rev. Chapman, the pastor, officiated and the singing was by a trio with organ accompaniment.

A bill for divorce was filed in the circuit court Saturday by Mary Shoff, by her attorney, W. E. Redmon. She wants a legal separation from James Nelson Shoff. She says she was married to him in March, 1883, at Clinton, and lived with him until Jan. 15, 1897, when she left him on account of his continual cruelty. She says that he beat, struck, kicked, choked and neglected her. One time while on the way from Kansas to Illinois in a wagon he knocked her unconscious.

We have reduced the price of coke to \$4 per ton crushed to size suitable for hard coal base burners and to \$3.50 per ton for uncrushed, delivered to any part of the city. In lots of less than one-half ton 10c per bushel will be charged. One ton of coke will burn 25 per cent longer than one ton of hard coal—hence it can be used at half the expense its use in furnaces does away with the annoyance of gas and smoke attendant on the use of soft coal. Our coke is made from Pennsylvania coal. Decatur Gas Light and Coke Co., telephone 137 or 54.—8-42w

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THE FARMERS' INSTITUTE.

The General Committee Outlines the Plan for the Exhibit.

It was late Saturday afternoon when President Bean and the general committee concluded its work in arranging for the Macon County Farmers' Institute to be held at the court house Feb. 10 and 11.

The Exhibit.

A great feature of the institute will be the exhibit of products. This announcement is authorized by the committee:

1. All articles entered for premiums must be raised or manufactured by the exhibitor.
2. All articles entered become the property of the exhibit.
3. Butter made by creameries is barred.
4. Bread made by bakeries or cake by specialists in pastry will not be awarded premiums.

5. All entries must be made on the morning of the first day.
The committee will make the awards on the morning of the second day of the institute.

7. All articles entered for premiums will be offered at public auction at 3 o'clock on the afternoon of the last day of the institute. To be Ward, auctioneer.

Corn—Class I.

Twelve ears will constitute an exhibit.
Yellow—First, \$1.50; second, \$1.25; third, 75 cents.

White—First, \$1.50; second, \$1.25; third, 75 cents.

Mixed—First, \$1.50; second, \$1.25; third, 75 cents.

Class II.
Twelve heaviest ears of corn:
Yellow—First, 75 cents.
White—First, 75 cents.
Mixed—First, 75 cents.

Class III.
Twelve best ears of corn, any variety \$3.
Heaviest ear of corn, 50 cents.
Longest ear of corn, 50 cents.

A sample of corn can be entered in but one class.
Lot 3, Class I.

One peck of oats, potatoes, wheat constitute an exhibit.

One Peck White Wheat—First, \$1.25; second, 75 cents.

One Peck Red Wheat—First, \$1.25; second, 75 cents.

Class II.
One Peck White Oats—First, 75 cents; second, 50 cents.

One Peck Black or Colored Oats First, 75 cents; second, 50 cents.

Class III.
One Peck Early Potatoes—First, \$1.25; second, 75 cents.

One Peck Late Potatoes—First, \$1.25; second, 75 cents.

One Peck Sweet Potatoes—First, \$1.25; second, 75 cents.

Class IV.
Ten apples any variety constitute an exhibit.
First prize, 75 cents; second prize, 50 cents.

First premium for largest and best display, 50 cents.
First premium for largest and best display, \$1.

Second premium for largest and best display, 75 cents.

Lot 3, Class I.
Loaf of Light Bread—First, \$1; second, 75 cents; third, 50 cents.

Class II.
Loaf Cake—First, \$1; second, 75 cents; third, 50 cents.

Jelly Cake—First, \$1; second, 75 cents; third, 50 cents.

Sponge Cake—First, \$1; second, 75 cents; third, 50 cents.

Class III.
Butter, One Pound or More on Exhibit—First, \$1; second, 75 cents; third, 50 cents.

Twelve Ears of Pop Corn—First, \$1.50; second, \$1.

One Peck Best Pop Corn—First, \$3.

Besides the above list special prizes will be given by interested parties for the most pounds of corn shelled from quantities of corn, bread, potatoes and other products. The matter of having a fancy work exhibit and offering premiums to the ladies for those was talked over but not decided upon.

All those desiring space for exhibits are requested to report to the secretary, C. A. Thrift, Forsyth, on or before Saturday, Feb. 6.

Sub-Committees.

The general committee will hold a meeting Feb. 6, at the court house, when final arrangements will be made for the big meeting.

The following committees were appointed to arrange for the meeting of the institute:

Program—Frank Muirhead, C. A. Thrift, J. B. Henry, J. W. Walker, J. B. Burrows, C. H. Scott.

Exhibits—David Wellepp, E. R. Moffett, C. H. Scott, John Walker, S. C. Davis, Charles French.

Music—S. C. Davis, E. R. Moffett, David Wellepp, Frank Muirhead, Sam Hopkins, J. B. Burrows.

Whether or not to have night sessions is yet to be decided and it is likely that the farmers will decide to hold them.

SACRED CONCERT.

The Goodman Band Entertainment at the Opera House Sunday Night.

The concert given Sunday evening at the opera house by the Goodman band was a musical treat. The attendance was not as large as the entertainment deserved but those who were present enjoyed the music greatly. The first part of the program was composed of numbers by the orchestra and the second part was given by the band. The program as rendered was as follows:

Overture, "Raymond"—A. Thomas.
Hearts and Flowers (a new lower song)—Theo. M. Tobani.

Sounds from Home (for strings only)—J. Gungl.

The Village Orchestra—Percy Gaunt.
March, "Rifle Regiment"—Souza.

Overture, "Temple Weihe"—Keler Bili.
Musical Scenes from Switzerland—Lango, arr. by Walter.

Waltzes, "L'Estudiantina"—Walden.
fel.

"British Patrol"—Ash.
"Golden Bland"—Blenberg.

The Forge in the Forest (Idyl)—Michaels.
March, "Metronome Prize"—Heed.

Officers Installed

The following officers of the L. C. C. society were installed at a recent meeting:

President—Mrs. Perry Orr.
Vice President—Mrs. A. N. Earnest.

Secretary—Mrs. R. H. Oliphant.
Assistant Secretary—Mrs. H. Long.

Treasurer—Mrs. James Long.
C. of W. C.—Mrs. McGavouch.

A. C. of W. C.—Mrs. Robert Steward.
M. W.—Mrs. H. Rice, Mrs. Vernon.

A. W. C.—Mary Long.

Card of Thanks.

The grateful thanks of the family are rendered to those who so sweetly sang and the friends who so kindly assisted and sympathized with us in our late bereavement, also to the Christian Endeavor society of Grace M. E. church for their beautiful floral offering. Mrs. Anna V. Epp, Minnie Maude Epp, David Epp and Brainerd Epp.

Hoyle's "A Black Sheep."
The cast and the entire production seen here will be exactly similar to that seen in New York, while the original cast in-

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cluding that clever comedian, Ott Harlan, "Big Bill" Devere, "R.H." Mack, Wm. H. Currie, and the Misses Grace Ruster, Rose Sutherland and the Houghler sisters, who made such a big hit in London last summer, will be among the cast. Mr. Hoyt has personally engaged Miss Jeanette St. Henry, the strikingly handsome woman, both in face and figure, to portray the character of the queen of burlesque. Since seen here previously Mr. Hoyt has added so many new lines, scenery and situations, and so much new music and specialties, that it will be practically a new piece when seen at the Powers Grand next Wednesday evening.

"Faddenhead Wilson."
A most noticeable feature of Mark Twain's Missouri story as told by the play the late Frank Mayo made of it, which is to be presented for the first time in this city Thursday night, Jan. 21; it is said are the dresses worn by the ladies of the company. Miss Frances Grahame Mayo, as "Howy Cooper," is a vision of fluffy flounced loveliness; and the quaint and prettily queer fashions of 1836-1838 revealed by Miss Lucille La Verne, as "Aunt Patsey Cooper," are indeed most interesting. Both of these ladies take the older people in the audience back to the days when hoop skirts were worn, and when frills, bonnets and all sorts of fluffy trim were fashionable. Last season pretty Miss Grahame Mayo not only refrained, but refused, to don the tight colored hosiery of the mid century, but this season the art of realism has overcome the desire of all pretty women to look their prettiest at all times, and Howy looks the graceful miss of forty years ago, in every detail of dress.

Grand Jury Indictments.
Saturday last the grand jury returned a number of bills to Judge Vail, as follows:

Charles Davis, grand larceny.
Albert L. Summer, alias A. L. Davis, forgery and uttering forged notes, two cases.

Charles Haggard and William H. H. burglary and petit larceny.

Charles Davis, forgery and uttering forged papers.

Hubert Graves and Henry Brooks, burglary and grand larceny.

Eagle on Exhibition.
Some time ago Frank Hamstorf killed a beautiful specimen of the American eagle while hunting in the vicinity of Havana. He sent it to Taxidermist Kaempfer of Chicago, who mounted it in beautiful shape and it is now on exhibition at Hamstorf & Swick's "Q. T." saloon on Water street.

Select a Haines or Reed & Son's piano at the C. B. Promont music house. The instruments cannot be excelled for beauty, tone and durability.

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Ox Tongue, Tripe, Brawn,
Corned Beef, Lobsters,
Salmon, Oysters, Shrimps,
Sardines,
Little Neck Clams,
Deviled Meats,
Potted Meats,
Wiener Wurst and Kraut,
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Boiled Hams,
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Frankfurter in Lard,
Berliet Landyaeger,
Plattdeutsches Mett Wurst,
Ham Bologna,
Plain Bologna,
Knack Wurst,
Blood Pudding,
Liver Pudding,
Ham Roll Bologna,
Excelsior Sausage,
Shamrock Sausage,
Head Cheese, Beef Loaf,
Veal Loaf, Tongues,
Hamburger, Corned Beef,
Spiced Pigs' Feet,
Chipped Dried Beef,
Beef Tongue,
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REVIVAL SERVICES.

The Meetings at the First Methodist Church are being well attended--News of the Other Churches.

The revival meetings at the First M. E. church are increasing in interest. Yesterday closed the second week of work. Not a day has passed without conversions. Sunday was another day of remarkable spiritual power. There were four services held. The first at 8:45 in the morning. This was a glorious meeting. The pastor preached at 10:45. There were shouts and songs called forth by the sermon. At 6 o'clock in the evening all the young people held a mass meeting; this was addressed by the pastor and Rev. Henry Linn. They urged the young people to seek the special baptism of the Holy Ghost. In a few minutes nearly one hundred were at the altar. Many were blessed and went out into the congregation and brought others. Then the pastor preached and on a call for penitents the altar was crowded and many were converted, nearly all of them young people. The evening meeting lasted four hours and a half. The meetings are the most successful that have been held in the church for many years. The services will be held every evening this week.

The revival at the First Presbyterian church is still in progress. The attendance is increasing nightly and great interest is being manifested. Rev. W. H. Penhallon preaches every evening and the singing is led by Mr. Zinser.

A meeting was held by Mr. Zinser this afternoon at the College street chapel and was largely attended. Another service will be held at 2:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

This evening Rev. W. C. Miller will begin a series of revival meetings at the Congregational church. They will be held every night this week.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 18, 1897.
The REPUBLICAN is indebted to E. Z. Taylor, dealer in grain, provisions and stocks, with correspondents in Chicago, New York, Minneapolis and St. Louis for the following market quotations.

	Open- ing.	High- est.	Low- est.	Clos- ing.
Wheat--				
January	81 1/2	81 3/4	80 3/4	80 3/4
May	76 1/2	76 3/4	76	76
July				
Corn--				
January	24 1/2	24 3/4	24 1/4	24 1/4
May	23 1/2	23 3/4	23 1/4	23 1/4
July				
Oats--				
January	18 1/2	18 3/4	18 1/4	18 1/4
May				
July				
Pork--				
January	8 07 1/2	8 12 1/2	8 02 1/2	8 07 1/2
May				
July				
Lard--				
January	4 12 1/2	4 13	4 10	4 10
May				
July				
Butter--				
January	1 15	1 16	1 13	1 13
May				
July				
Eggs--				
January	16 1/2	16 3/4	16 1/4	16 1/4
May				
July				

Many wheat puts, 70¢; oats, 60¢; corn, 20¢.

TODAY'S RECEIPTS CAR LOT.

Wheat--5, Estimated, 22, Your ago, 95.

Corn--34, Estimated, 20, a year ago, 60.

Oats--27, Estimated, 20, a year ago, 25.

ESTIMATES FOR 70-MONTH.

For some reason no estimates of receipts for to-morrow were made up or given out to day, and there will be none. Cause is unknown.

Hog receipts 62,000; estimated, 55,000. Market steady to shade lower.

Light, \$1.02 1/2; Mixed, \$1.01 1/2; Heavy, \$1.00 1/2; Rough, \$1.00 1/2.

Cattle receipts, 15,000; market steady.

ST. LOUIS MARKET.

St. Louis, Jan. 18.--Wheat, cash, 87 1/2¢; May, 87 1/2¢; Corn, cash, 20¢; May, 22¢; Oats, cash, 10 1/2¢; May, not quoted.

NEW YORK MARKET.

New York, Jan. 18.--Wheat, May, 87 1/2¢; Corn, May, 20 1/2¢; Oats, May, 22¢.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.--Butter, firm, 14¢; Eggs, easier, 12¢.

PROVIDA QUOTATIONS.

Providence, Jan. 18.--Corn, higher, No. 2 white, 20¢; Oats, firm, 10¢.

VISITABLE SUPPLY OF GRAIN.

CHICAGO, Jan. 18.--The visible of grain 1: Wheat, 52,450,000; Corn, 21,622,000; Oats, 13,621,000; Rye, 349,000; Barley, 3,577,000.

Mark Twain's Great Story.

The coming of Mark Twain's Missourians, who tell the story of "Pudd'nhead Wilson," will, no doubt, be gladly greeted by those who like a well-told, highly interesting and very humorous stage story. The same company that so pleased patrons last season, comes to us this season, except in the title role. Mr. Theodore Hamilton, a very fine actor, will be seen in the role of "Pudd'nhead," and Miss Emily Rigel, one of the best of our emotional actresses will play "Roxy," the slave girl. The play has just finished a long run at McVicker's in Chicago, and will be seen here just as has been seen in all the larger cities. The date in this city is Thursday, Jan. 21.

ABOUT SOME WRITERS.

Ian MacLaren says that Harold Frederic is the American writer most widely read in England at present.

Rudyard Kipling recently refused a handsome price for his Vermont farm. It is said that after next year he will occupy it permanently.

Sarah Orne Jewett has two working desks--one at her own house at South Norwick and the other at the house of Mrs. Fields at Manchester-by-the-Sea, where so many of her summer and autumn days are spent.

Frank Stockton, who rose to fame with "The Lady, or the Tiger?" is 62 years old. He has traveled a good deal and has spent much time in Europe, Florida and Virginia. For some years his permanent home has been at Convent, near Norristown, N. J., overlooking a beautiful valley.

It is not often that we find an older writer praising with such enthusiasm a younger one as Richard Henry Stoddard has done. He says that Chester Daily Fernald is a genius and that his Chinese story, "The Cat and the Cherub," is the best short piece of fiction produced in the United States in a decade.



SOCIETY MEETINGS.

W. R. C. Regular meeting of Dunham W. R. C. No. 4, at G. A. R. hall to-morrow at 2:30 p. m. All members requested to be present. SUPER H. ARRL, Pres. CHLOE MURPHY, Sec.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Dr. Tobey was in Danville yesterday. Attorney J. M. Clotey left to-day for Springfield.

Senator Kanan returned to Springfield Saturday evening.

Mrs. George Emerick is dangerously ill at St. Mary's hospital.

Leslie Evans, who has been confined to his home by illness, was able to be out today.

Rev. W. Bedford-Jones, rector of All Angels church, was in Springfield today on business.

Miss Lizzie Yobe, of Chicago, is in the city visiting Mrs. R. C. Lanning at 422 Herkimer street.

Dr. T. S. Hoskins was able to be down town to-day. He will be at his dental office to-morrow.

John Bird is at Springfield to re-enter the service of the state during the session of the legislature.

Stephen White of Paris, was in the city Saturday, called here on account of the sickness of his sister.

Howard Hanthorn, the journal clerk in the state legislature, was in Decatur Sunday visiting friends.

Will Dillett Saturday on a business trip through Iowa in the interest of the Mueller Manufacturing Co.

J. W. McClellan, state bank examiner, has decided to report Monday next for duty to State Auditor McCullough.

Rev. A. W. Hawkins went to Cairo, Illinois today to attend an anniversary dinner held at the home of Rev. Dilow.

Miss Sophia Hambrecht and Will Denz, who have been guests of Misses Agnes and Maggie Heimbarger of Springfield, have returned home.

Allan Evans, who has been ill since August, has entirely recovered and next week will leave on a business trip for the Higgins Ticker Co., of New York.

R. C. Lanning will leave to-morrow for Houston, Texas, with a party of land seekers, and A. O. Bolen will go to Butler, Mo., with a party of land seekers.

Mrs. Jeanette Crosier, formerly of the Jackson street school, has been appointed teacher in the Van Cleave school at Minneapolis. Mrs. Crosier succeeds Miss Van Velsor and entered upon her new duties Thursday, Jan. 14th.

Dr. E. B. Walston will leave to-morrow morning for Des Moines, Iowa, where he will make his home. He will be in Des Moines a few days to make arrangements for his residence in that city and will return to Decatur for his wife and household goods.

John D. Benedict of Danville, grand chancellor Illinois Knights of Pythias, and John J. Brown, past grand chancellor, accompanied by his wife, will arrive in Decatur Wednesday evening to be present at the dedication of the new castle hall in Powers' new block. They will be guests of W. P. Shade and family.

State Register: Mrs. Arthur Miller and cousin, Miss Grace Radloff of Frederick, Md., who have been the guests of James Radloff and family, of North Seventh street, for several days, left yesterday morning for a several days visit in Mechanicsburg before returning to Mrs. Miller's home in Decatur.

Will sell to Pay a Claim.

Samuel Dillehunt of Blue Mound township has a claim for \$387 against William Debold and John Kochendorfer, and Saturday in the county court Judge Hammer issued an order directing Constable Midkiff to sell a certain amount of grain belonging to the defendants to satisfy the bill. The sale will take place on Jan. 31. The farmers named owe Dillehunt for land rent.

Ruckless' Arnica Salve.

The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by E. A. West, the druggist.

Seeds! Seeds! Seeds!

Garden, flower and field seeds in bulk. Dan Oulp, the old reliable seedman, fifteen years' experience with George S. Durfee & Bro., will open up about Jan. 25, with a fresh stock of garden, flower and field seeds at No. 223 North Main street. The only exclusive seed store in Decatur. --150-6-

"Hooper!"

The new two step composed by Marie Powers is on sale at Powers' shoe store. --134-6-

Sales of Real Estate.

W. D. Pope to Geo. W. Elliott, tract of land in 20, 16, 1 east--\$323

G. W. Elliott to Chester L. Black, same land as above--\$333.

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DR. JOHN T. MILLER, PHYSICIAN. SUITE 306.

DR. W. M. CATTO, ...PHYSICIAN... SUITE 309.

DR. B. L. MAIENTHAL, PHYSICIAN. SUITE 322.

DR. J. G. HARVEY, Will remove from Arcade Building to his new office, Suite 318, Orlando Powers' Building.

H. L. OLDHAM, Agent of the Building. ROOM 307.

C. S. HANKINS, Real Estate, Insurance and Loans. Suite 201.

UTLEY, IMPORTING TAILOR. ROOMS 202 & 204.

DR. O. T. EDDY, DENTIST. Suite 301 and 302.

DR. J. H. EDDY, Physician and Surgeon. SUITES 301 AND 302.

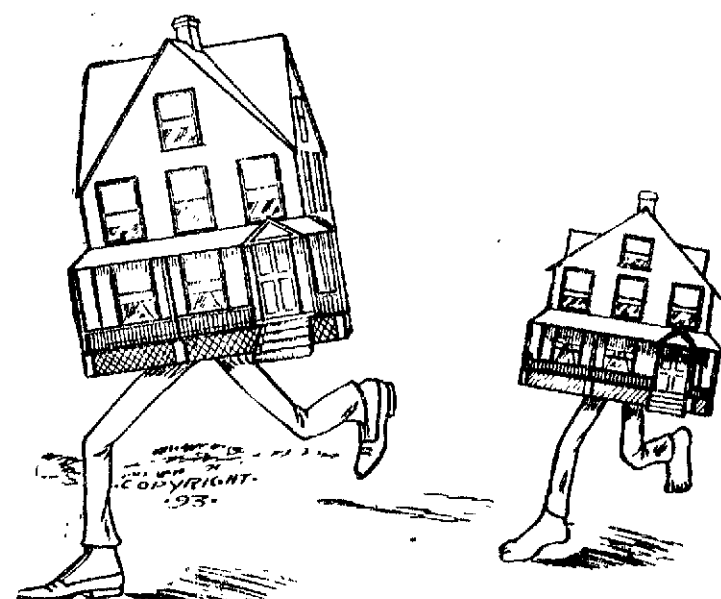
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Overcoats, Ulsters.
Heavy Suits, Caps,
Underwear,
Gloves and Mittens,
All Must Go.

COME AND GET THEM.
No Old Chestnuts in this Stock.

Race Clothing M'fg Co.,

129 North Water Street.

ROGERS BROS.' Knives, Forks and Spoons.

None Genuine Without "1847"
Stamped Upon Them.

These "1847 Rogers Bros." make the old original brand of Silver Plated Knives, Forks and Spoons, and cost more in the market than any Rogers make. PLEASE DO NOT CONFUSE IT WITH Wm. Rogers, Rogers & Brother or any other Rogers, without the "1847 Rogers Bros." trade mark stamped upon them. There are twenty imitations, all of which use the word "Rogers" in some shape, but none but the genuine dare use "1847 Rogers Bros."

You should get our prices on

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We are showing a very fine line at
VERY LOW PRICES.

We claim to be Headquarters on

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OUR SECOND FLOOR CHINA DEPARTMENT

Is second to none in the State, and we are showing Dinner Ware and Toilet Ware in a very large variety of patterns, and at prices equal to corn at 15 cents a bushel.

Our House has been Established Over 20 Years at
156 EAST MAIN STREET.

Otto E. Curtis & Bro.

Grand Clear 'Em Out Sale.

We are going to clean up all the odds and ends that we have in the house. There is nothing the matter with these "odds and ends" they are just as good shoes as they ever were, but the sizes are somewhat broken and we must make room for the big spring stock which we have purchased and which will soon be arriving. When we start in on a Clearance Sale we do not do things by halves, but we make the cuts so deep that they command attention. In fact

Prices Are Knocked Silly,

And remember all the time that these shoes which we are offering at such low prices are up-to-date in style, well made, desirable, nothing the matter except that the sizes are somewhat broken. If we can fit you we can give you a bargain such as you read about in old times but seldom see nowadays. Our ladies' handwelt shoes, dongola, vici kid sold for \$3.00 per pair and were cheap at that, now marked down to \$2.25. Ladies' hand-turned vici kid shoes, regular \$1.00 grade, and well worth that price of anybody's money, now only \$2.65 per pair. Ladies' \$2.50 vici kid shoes, in all the new toes; these shoes have been the talk of the town at the price—more appearance, style, good material and workmanship than you could get for the money anywhere else—now you can buy one pair or as many pairs of them as you want for only \$1.95 per pair. Proportionately low prices on all men's shoes.

Now Is the Accepted Time!

Now is the time to invest. If times seem tight that is all the more reason why you should save money in your purchases of footwear. We invite you to come. Hurry up while you will be sure you will be fitted. Come and save yourself rich.

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FOR 10 CENTS

KING'S DRUG STORE,

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LOCAL NEWS.

Denz, Tailor, 117 North Water St.

Use Irwin's perfect tooth powder. The temperature was at 12 above zero this morning.

You pay a little more for Sleeth's portraits but—

Wednesday night "A Black Sheep," will be at the Grand

Cold crackers ten cents at Irwin's.

Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Kock.

The prices speak for themselves at Cheap Charley's.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc.

Smoke the famous Leda, a fine 10 cent, made by John Weigand. Mob 25 ct.

Irwin's female tonic gives the best satisfaction, large bottle 75 cents

A meeting of the directors of the Peoria division of the Vandallia road will be held in Decatur on Wednesday to elect officers.

Sleeth is the only photographer in the city who guarantees satisfaction.

Two fine comedies at the Grand this week—Wednesday and Thursday nights.

Smoke the Little J., a fine hand made, Samatra wrapper—5 cent cigar.

Decatur never had such a sale as Cheap Charley's before.

John Baum will build the J. M. Camp grain elevator at Bennett. It will cost about \$1000.

One and one-third fare round trip to Chicago on the certificate plan, account of the cyclone show, Jan. 28 to 30, via Wabash railroad.

Cheap Charley will not rest until he has sold out of Winter Suits and overcoats.

The Fullenwider truss cures rupture. For sale by the Cerradanie Co., 21 Syndicate block.

There will be a masquerade ball tonight at the Goldhart hall on North Water street for which the Woodman band will furnish the music.

The Woman's Home Missionary society of Grace M. E. church will meet with Mrs. A. M. Danely, 750 East Caldwell street, Riverside, on Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 19, at 2 P. M.

It is probable that the barn and shelter for the patrol team and wagon will not be built for the present. The council will vote on the question and settle all disputes as to authority which may exist.

No better soft coal in this market than Lincoln or Raverton, Lincoln is the hardest of any coal within 100 miles of Decatur and the harder the coal the longer it will burn. Hard coal all sizes, always in stock at market price. Up town office Irwin's drug store, office and yard 800 North Broadway old phone 133, now phone 135. M. F. Metz.—31-41

Peter H. Brueck, the real estate broker, has sold for Hugh S. Baker, 75 acres of land lying just north of Walnut Grove addition to Robert Randal of Sullivan, Ill., and he will take possession on March 1. The consideration was \$3000 and the purchaser expects to come here to make his home. Mr. Randal is a retired farmer and a man of means and comes to the city with the expectation of taking life easy.

Moved In.

Utley, the importing tailor, has taken possession of his handsome new rooms in the Powers' building. The room is quite a large one and is located on the second floor, easily accessible from the elevator. Mr. Utley invites his friends to call.

Assembly Dance To-Night.

The regular assembly dance will be given tonight at the Leonard academy, Guards' Armory.

Quinine.

Special Prices on Quinine at West's Drug Store.

2-grain Pills, per 100, 25c

One Ounce, Powers & Weightman's, 50c

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CRUSHED TO DEATH.

Newton Herring, a Fifteen Year
Old Boy, Met a Horrible Death.

HIS BODY WAS CUT IN TWO

By a Switch Engine in the End of the
Yards No One Saw the Accident or Knows How
It Happened.

Newton Herring, the 15-year old son of John V. Herring, the yard master for the L. D. & W. road, was killed by a Wabash switch engine at 1:15 o'clock this afternoon in the east part of the city. No one saw the accident and it is not known just how it happened.

The boy is employed at the Union elevator and had been sent to the east end of the yards to order some cars. He was supposed that he was walking on his way home when struck by the engine. It is supposed that he was walking on the track and did not see the engine approaching or that he was struck while trying to cross in front of the locomotive. Nothing was known of the accident until the body was found on the track after the engine had passed over it. The body was horribly mangled. The wheels had almost cut it in two and the arms were broken and the face bruised.

The father of the boy was notified and the body was brought to the telegraph office at Jasper street and kept there until Deputy Coroner Roy Boudure arrived and had it taken to the Wyckoff & Koeve undertaking rooms.

The office men at the elevator say that Herring was a splendid boy and was one of their most trustworthy employees. He was employed to run errands and did different jobs about the place. Everyone spoke of Herring as being a good, hard working and honest boy and many were grieved to hear of his horrible and untimely death.

Demand of the State Grange.

The Illinois State Grange, at its last annual meeting, resolved as follows:

In favor of a graded land and income tax. To exempt the farmers' tools and \$500 worth of household goods from tax or seizure for debt. To so equalize assessments that farmers will not be unduly taxed. In favor of woman's suffrage. Against a single gold standard or retarding the treasury notes issued through a reserve in full legal tender form. In favor of a legal width of four inches, or more of wagon tires after 1900. For postal savings banks and free rural mail delivery. For a law that railway companies must weigh and receipt for car loads of grain and deliver the same weight. To have the legal weight of a bushel of corn from 70 to 80 pounds. A law to prevent optional gauding in grain. For a law against railway companies loading or public officials receiving free passes. For a state law reducing passenger rates from 2 to 2 cents per mile. In favor of submitting new laws to the vote of the people.

Amusing and Instructive.

One of the most attractive features in the college lecture course thus far was the lecture last night by Prof. W. M. R. French, director of the Chicago Art Institute. It was both amusing and instructive and his efforts were greeted with words of appreciation on all sides. He illustrated the blocking out process by drawing the figure of a man and then after the outlines were drawn filled in the form, making perfect likenesses in both instances. He then drew with his skillful hand a picture of a skeleton in a striking attitude and finally added muscles, making the perfect man, and lastly gave it the finishing touches by adding garments, which made the figure bear a close resemblance to a phony-guy from one of the bad wards. Each point he made was illustrated by appropriate figures, bearing out his statements. One of these was a water scene with a bridge of stone with continuous arches, a railroad and the lines of light radiating from a common center, making a picture most beautiful. Another beautiful scene was the Lake of Como, and he pointed out the laws which were observed in its composition and deftly drew the scene in colors, making it look exceedingly beautiful. The same deftness was observed in drawing faces. The lecture was exceedingly interesting and was listened to with earnest attention by the large audience present.—Illinois Courier, Jacksonville, Jan. 22, '96.

At opera house, Jan. 22. Plat opens Wednesday morning at opera house pharmacy. Admission 50 cents.—18-3t

Burial of Z. W. Robertson.

The funeral of the late Z. W. Robertson was held Sunday afternoon from the family residence on North College street, and was largely attended by neighbors and G. A. R. comrades and Sons of Veterans. Rev. D. F. Howe conducted the services. The body was placed in the Bullard vault. The interment was with military ceremonies. Veterans served as pall bearers.

To Stop a Cold in 30 Minutes.

Take Contra-Cold Tablets, guaranteed or money refunded by all druggists, 30c.

For hoarseness or sore throat use Irwin's bronchial lozengers.

CASTLE HALL DEDICATION.

Everything in Readiness for the Knights
of Pythias Reception Wednesday Night.

Tonight the last dress rehearsal for the formal dedication of the new castle hall of Coeur de Leon Lodge, No. 17, Knights of Pythias, will be held. The dedication will occur Wednesday evening, Jan. 20, and the ceremonies will begin promptly at 8 o'clock. All Knights of Pythias and their ladies will be welcome and those not members of the order to whom invitations have been extended are expected to be present.

The new hall is on the fifth floor of Powers' new block, and in all its appointments is considered to be one of the finest lodge rooms in the west.

The Program.

The dedicating exercises will consist of the following:

Music—By Opera House Orchestra.

Welcome Remarks—Chancellor Commander.

Dedicating Exercises By the Team—Walter P. Shado, pianist; S. D. McKinney, director.

Escort Duty—Company 36, Uniform Rank, K. P.—Captain Grant in command.

Vocal Solo, "Say Yes"—Miss Beatrice Howard.

Dedication Address—John D. Benedict of Danville, grand chancellor of Illinois grand lodge, Knights of Pythias.

Quartet—"Jesus Lover of My Soul," Mrs. F. P. Howard, Miss Howard, Harry C. Kepler, A. E. Lindemann; Miss Nita Clark, accompanist.

Endowment Rank, section 184.

Music by the orchestra.

The ceremonies will be followed by music, a social and an informal dance in the banquet hall.

It is expected that Hon. J. J. Brown of Vandallia, past grand chancellor, will be present, besides many other Pythian visitors from out of the city.

Coeur de Leon lodge will endeavor to entertain and seat all who come. Take the elevators at the Water street entrance to the building.

Baptist Sunday School Notes.

Yesterday the attendance at the Baptist Sunday school was large. The interest is growing and the attendance is increasing. A record of the attendance and the number bringing their bibles is now being kept in quite a novel way. A large wooden thermometer has been constructed which hangs in plain view of the school. Along the mercury tube are numbers ranging from zero up. On one side of this tube is placed a rosette of ribbon indicating the number in attendance; on the other side is a rosette denoting the number having their bibles with them. The object of this arrangement is to stimulate the bringing of bibles and it is trusted that finally both rosettes may be found on the same number. Yesterday 114 students had their bibles with them, a gain of three over the previous Sunday.

Prof. Johnson has been employed for a year, as the leader of the orchestra, the orchestra having proved a grand success. The orchestra is to give an opening selection each Sunday. Sunday morning the prelude was highly enjoyable.

Fire in a Window.

Saturday evening there was a fire scare at the S. M. Lutz music store in the Temple block on North Water street. One of the lamps sprang a leak and the dripping oil ignited the carpet in the big show window, doing some damage before the fire department could extinguish the flames. Mr. Lutz has in use what is known as the new light system, getting the supply of oil from a tank at the rear of the store. It went wrong, or rather one of the lamps did, and as a consequence there was considerable excitement for a time.

A Prohibition Meeting.

The third meeting of the Prohibition club will be held in the council room of the court house Tuesday evening, Jan. 19, 1897, at 7 o'clock p. m. You are invited to avail yourself of this opportunity and help start a wave of influence against the greatest crime of the century—the licensed saloon. There will be a grand Prohibition conference held in February in Decatur and addressed by Hon. O. W. Stuart, chairman of the state executive committee. Watch for the date Committee.

Secured a Car.

An elegant Pullman car has been secured by a number of Decatur Republicans for the trip to Washington to witness the inauguration of President elect McKinley on March 4. This will be no tin-norm expedition. The tourists will ride every foot of the journey and they will go in style. And they will come back in the same manner. It will cost each tourist about \$65 for the round trip, to say nothing of the extras.

Death of a Child.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Todd died of lung trouble on Sunday morning at 8 o'clock at the family residence on East Herkimer street. The funeral was held at 2:30 this afternoon from the residence.

No trouble to show goods at Cheap Charley's.

SUDDENLY KILLED.

Uriah Edgecomb, a Farmer, Met
With a Peculiar Death Last
Evening.

STRUCK ON THE FOREHEAD

By a Barn Door and Instantly Killed
Leaves a Large Family and Was
Well Known in This County—Inquest To-Day.

Uriah Edgecomb, a well known farmer living on the J. R. Race place two and a half miles northeast of the city, met with a peculiar death Sunday evening. He was killed by being struck on the head by a barn door.

Mr. Edgecomb had a number of visitors at his place Sunday. Among them were his brother, R. W. Edgecomb, and his father-in-law, Leonard Faute and family of LaPlace. The younger members of the household had left the place about 5 o'clock to go to the depot with Miss Cora Overly, a young lady who has been living at the Edgecomb place and who was going to Danville to teach school. Mrs. Edgecomb noticed that the barn doors had been left open and mentioned the fact to her husband. Mr. Edgecomb and his brother went to the barn to close the doors. A small entrance was closed and an attempt was made to close a large door. It was hooked to the side of the door to keep it from blowing shut. R. W. Edgecomb unhooked the door and as the wind was very strong he could scarcely hold it. Uriah Edgecomb saw that his brother was making a great effort to hold the door and called to him to let it blow shut. Mr. Edgecomb evidently thought he was out of the way but he was standing just within the range of the door and it struck him between the eyes. As he fell he said "Oh, dear me," and never spoke again. Mrs. Edgecomb was called and the injured man was carried to the house. He expired in a few moments without regaining consciousness. The death being so sudden was a great shock to the family.

Coroner Boudure was notified of the accident and went to the place this morning. An inquest was held this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The remains will be taken to LaPlace tomorrow for burial.

Uriah Edgecomb was well known in this county. He has lived in this part of the state for more than thirty years past and was known as a prosperous farmer.

He lived for many years near LaPlace and has been on the Race farm for the past two years. He leaves a wife and eight children. They are Uriah of the state of Washington, Leonard, Robert and Samuel Edgecomb, and May, Mabel, Cora and Rhoda Edgecomb, all living on the home place. One son and one daughter were employed in this city. They were notified of the death of their father last evening. The deceased was 50 years.

BURGLAR ON WEST MACON.

The Home of William Bennett Entered While He Was at Church.

The home of William Bennett at 800 West Macdon street, was entered by one or more burglars Sunday night, while the family were at church services. The thieves secured a variety of cooked food and took a pair of pantaloons belonging to Mr. Bennett, also two French cans. Mr. Bennett is in the employ of D. H. Hellman & son, the grocers. He was at work today as usual.

Married.

On Sunday evening, Jan. 17, at 8 o'clock by W. H. Shorb, J. P., at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Inlow, 881 South Broadway, in the presence of a number of friends, Miss Etta May Bradley and Alonzo Norman, who is employed by the Decatur Cereal Milling Co. The groom is a steady, industrious young man. The couple will remain at the home of the bride's parents for a few weeks on account of the illness of the mother of the bride.

Declared Insane.

William Richardson, the Pawnee citizen, who was lost for several weeks, and was finally found at Blue Mound, has been adjudged insane in the county court at Taylorville. He is now a patient at the Jacksonville asylum. A conservator was appointed to take charge of Richardson's property valued at \$400.

Horses Wanted.

Will be at 549 North Church street, Decatur, Ill., on Saturday and Monday, Jan. 23 and 25, 1897. Would like some horses from 1200 to 1800 pounds. Horses must be well broken and in good flesh, and from five to eight years old. Highest market price will be paid. Seth Pratt.—18-43-w1

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